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returned to her work feeling that she had gained much help and inspiration from meeting with others who had similar problems.

The following officers were elected: President, Ethel H. Butts; vice-president, Esther Shields; secretary, Zola Payne; treasurer, Miriam Fox; editorial secretary, Vera Ingerson.

## **ITEMS**

International Training Course for Public Health Nurses.—In view of the excellent results obtained this year by the International Training Course of Public Health Nurses at the University of London, the League of Red Cross Societies has decided to organize a new course next year at Bedford College for Women which, like King's College for Women, where the first course was held, is a part of the University of London. The course will begin on October 7, 1921.

Nineteen nurses, representing eighteen countries, attended the first course. Nurses from Japan, China and New Zealand have already been inscribed for the new course, and many other inscriptions are expected. As was the case last year, national Red Cross Societies, members of the League, have been requested to offer scholarships to enable Red Cross nurses to take this course.

## WHO'S WHO IN THE NURSING WORLD

## III. LINDA RICHARDS

BIRTHPLACE: A small town near Potsdam, N. Y. PARENTAGE: PRESENT POSITION: Retired. EDUCATION: High School. GRADUATE OF: First graduate of the New England Hospital Training School for Nurses, Boston, Mass. Post-Graduate Work: Spent several months in the hospitals of England and Scotland and during this time visited Florence Nightingale at her London home and at Lee Hurst. Positions Held: Night superintendent of Bellevue Hospital, New York City, when this school was in its infancy; organized the Training School of the Massachusetts General Hospital; organized the Training School for nurses, Boston City Hospital, Boston, Mass., being connected with this school for eight years; Missionary to Japan under the American Board of Missions for five years and organized the first schools of nursing in Japan. Following her return from Japan, Miss Richards was director of visiting nursing in Philadelphia; organized the Training School of the Methodist Episcopal Hospital, Philadelphia, Pa.; Superintendent of the New England Hospital, Boston, Mass.; reorganized the Training School of the Homeopathic Hospital, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Superintendent of the Hartford Hospital Training School, Hartford, Conn.; reorganized the School for Nurses of the Long Island Hospital, Boston Harbor, Mass.; Superintendent of Nurses at the University of Pennsylvania Hospital, Philadelphia, Pa., during the time that Mary E. P. Davis was superintendent of the hospital; organized School of Nursing, Taunton State Hospital, Taunton, Mass.; organized School of Nursing, Worcester State Hospital, Worcester, Mass.; reorganized School of Nursing, Kalamazoo State Hospital, Kalamazoo, Mich. Retired at the end of the ten and one-half years spent in organizing training schools in connection with hospitals for the insane. It was at this time that the character of the nursing staff was changed from that of attendants to nurses trained in their special work with generous affiliation with general hospitals to round out their preparation. AUTHOR OF: Reminiscences of America's First Trained Nurse.